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# Annual General Meeting

15.00 UTC, 24 June 2025

Chair: Matt Hall

Quorum: 11

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# Agenda

- Annual review.
- Financial review.
- 2025 activities.
- Elections.
- Any other business.

# Potted history

- Started on Google Groups in July 2014:  
<https://groups.google.com/g/softwareunderground>
- Moved to Slack in August 2015.
- Held TRANSFORM 2019 in France, leading to many discussions and decisions about governance — and aspirations!  
<https://agilescientific.com/blog/2019/5/18/transform-happened>
- Incorporated as a non-profit on 29 April 2020, at the age of 6¾:  
<https://softwareunderground.org/blog/2020/6/6/something-new-has-surfaced>
- Held TRANSFORM conferences in 2020, 2021 and 2022, and the first AGM in 2021.

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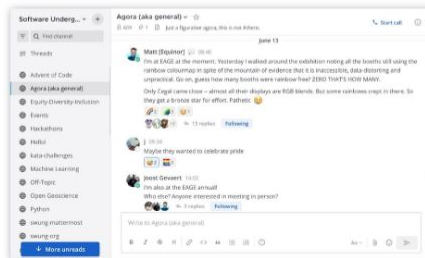
# Annual review

- It was another quiet year with respect to events.
- We fully adopted Mattermost.
- Several communities continue to use Swung as a communication channel, e.g. Fatiando a Terra, Devito, Gempy, and others. SimPEG has its own "Team".
- Adopted 1Password for shared accounts & credit card.
- [4th AGM and annual report](#)



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# Social media assets

- We closed our X account; the LinkedIn account is dormant.
- The YouTube channel and GitHub accounts continue.



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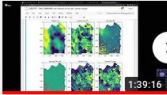
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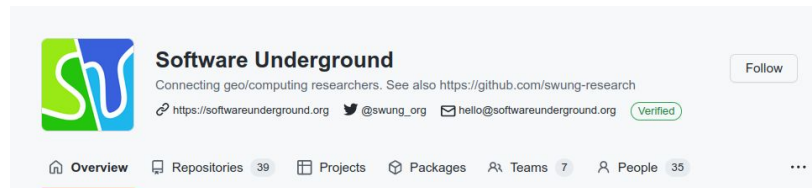
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# Financial statements

## INCOME

Income Source	FY2023	FY2024	Change	% Change	
Direct Public Support – Business Contributions	\$4,706.20	\$2,519.07	-\$2,187.13	-46.47%	↓
Investments – Interest	\$60.00	\$81.00	+\$21.00	+35.00%	↑
Total Income	\$4,766.20	\$2,600.07	-\$2,166.13	-45.45%	↓

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## EXPENSES

Expense Category	FY2023	FY2024	Change	% Change	
Accounting Fees	\$600.00	\$0.00	-\$600.00	-100.0%	↓
Bank Service Charges	\$265.43	\$176.78	-\$88.65	-33.4%	↓
Business Software	\$2,915.78	\$2,329.72	-\$586.06	-20.1%	↓
Contract Services	\$52.26	\$2,017.05	+\$1,964.79	+3759.6%	↑
Legal Fees	\$12.00	\$0.00	-\$12.00	-100.0%	↓
Travel Expense	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	-\$2,000.00	-100.0%	↓
Total Operating Expenses	\$5,845.47	\$4,523.55	-\$1,321.92	-22.6%	↓



# Financial review

- Financial reports: <https://github.com/softwareunderground/swung-org> (NB we do not have the tax return up yet, but it is coming!)
- **100% member-supported in 2024, no corporate sponsors.**
- We received donations from 28 subscribers. Annual income is currently around CAD 4700.
- Year end: **CAD 17,467 cash** (CAD 21,406 in 2024), plus CAD 2000 GIC (credit security), minus CAD 316 liability (CAD 2332 in 2024). Net: CAD 19,160 (CAD 21,074 in 2024).
- Retained bank: RBC, Bridgewater, NS, Canada.
- Retained bookkeeper: Katie Condon, myrgan.com, Mahone Bay, NS, Canada.
- Retained accountant: Belliveau Veinotte Inc, Bridgewater, NS, Canada.

# 2025 activities

Frequent discussion in #swung-org and  
documentation in swung-org repo



- **Jørgen Kvalsvik** continues to look after the Mattermost instance.
- **Matteo Niccoli** has fully taken the reins of the finances.
- **Andrea Balza Morales** joined the board in March
- **Rowan Cockett** stepped off the board in March
- **Dieter Werthmuller** will be retiring from the board in the fall and we need a replacement for him!
- Andrea has appealed for ideas and assistance for another TRANSFORM event this year, here is the channel: <https://mattermost.softwareunderground.org/swung/channels/transform>
- Board meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month and announced in <https://mattermost.softwareunderground.org/swung/channels/swung-org>

# Current board

**Profiles:** <https://softwareunderground.org/board>

## **Directors and service length:**

- 0 years: Andrea Balza Morales
- 2 years: Maria Cecilia Bravo, Matteo Niccoli, Santiago Soler
- 3 years: Leo Uieda
- 5 years: Matt Hall, Jo Walsh, Dieter Werthmuller

**Asynchronous vote coming soon in Mattermost:** Approve the current board.

# Any other business

None.